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Group Art Unit: 1646

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REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time for Two Months and Letter for the above-identified patent application.

Additional fee for submission of a Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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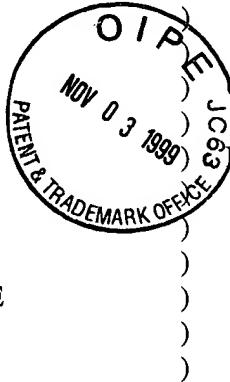
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LETTER

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Sir:

A response to a Notice to file Missing Parts of Application was filed in the above-identified patent application on November 1, 1999. The Petition for a Extension of Time was inadvertently left out of the response. Although the Commissioner was authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required to Deposit Account No. 02-4800, Applicants hereby enclose a Petition for Two Month Extension of Time with the appropriate fee of \$380.00.

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